

Press Release

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American Association of Managed Care Nurses (AAMCN) Names Three New Board of Directors

November 20, 2007-- Richmond, VA: The American Association of Managed Care Nurses (AAMCN) announces the appointment of Stefany Almaden, RN, MS, CCM, CPUM, CMCN; Sandra Bunting, RN, CCM, CPHQ, CMCN; and Peggy Rossi, BSN, MPA, CCM, CPUR to the Board of Directors. Almaden, Bunting and Rossi will assume their directorships effective January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2009.

Almaden is presently the President & CEO of The Almaden Group, Inc. She has diversified experience in customer care, life care planning in a managed care environment, medical groups, hospitals-hospital systems, and academic settings focused on UM, CM, QM and appeals. She has over 10 years experience in effective team leadership, knowledge of legislative updates, regulatory and accreditation standards, and entrepreneurship within the health care industry. She is currently serving as Chair of the AAMCN Care Management Institute.

Bunting currently is the Director, Total HealthCare Management, Commercial & Established Markets with BlueCross BlueShield Tennessee. She is responsible for coordinating utilization review, case management, disease management, behavioral health management and practitioner education under one umbrella for commercial Total HealthCare Management. She has held a number of positions in her 22 years with BCBS of TN. She is also working to complete her MBA in 2008.

Rossi recently began working as part of the Case Management team with Mercy General Hospital. She has spent the greater part of the last 20 years in the managed care industry, directing many programs and has had the full responsibility of writing and developing entire programs. She has also written two nursing text books on case management, both used extensively in schools of nursing across the United States, Canada and other countries.

The current AAMCN Board of Directors are President Sheryl Riley, RN, OCN, CMCN; Janet Gilbert, MSN, BSN, CMCN; President-Elect LaNita Knoke, RN, BS, CMCN; Sandra Miller, RN, BS, MS/HSA; Jacquelyn Smith, RN, BSN, MA; and Ex-Officio Shelly Martin, BSN, MHSA, CPHQ, CMCN, CCM. Rolling off of the AAMCN Board of Directors on December 31, 2007 are Nancy Eberhard, RN, BSN, CMCN and Suzanne Forbes, RN, CCM, CMCN.